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Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1 and 3-9 are pending.

Claims 2-4 have been indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In order to move forward the processing of the claims that have been indicated to be allowable, applicant has amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 2. The remaining claims depend from currently amended claim 1, and as such, are now believed to be allowable.

Responsive to the rejection of claims 1-6 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, claim 1 has been amended to recite "a particular security element." Claim 1 has also been amended to recite storage of the entitlement management message in the memory and the transmission of the stored entitlement management message by the access control module. Applicant submits that the rejection is overcome in view of the amendment.

Claims 7-9 have been allowed.

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Having fully addressed the Examiner's rejections it is believed that, in view of the preceding amendments and remarks, this application stands in condition for allowance. Accordingly then, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully solicited. If, however, the Examiner is of the opinion that such action cannot be taken, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicant's attorney at (609) 734-6815, so that a mutually convenient date and time for a telephonic interview may be scheduled.

Respectfully submitted,

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